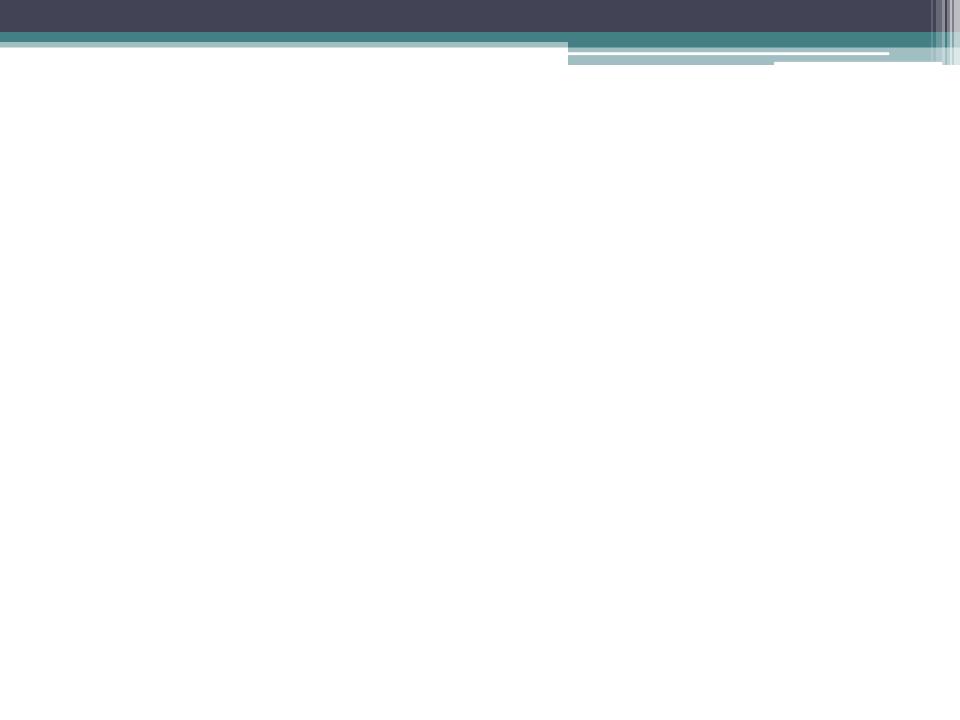
Subsets of Medicaid Fee-for-Service Children (<19 yrs) & Medication Expenditures

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Existing Studies of Medication Use in Children

- Rising prevalence of psychotropic med use in kids nationally
 - Especially for children enrolled in Medicaid
- Differential use patterns noted according to
 - Age, gender, and race
 - HMO vs FFS coverage
 - Foster care status
 - Disability status (aid category)
 - Autism, mental retardation, mental illness

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- Health Connect
- Title XIX (Medicaid)

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- Head injury
- PRTF-CBA
 - Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility
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- Technology assisted

Shift to Populations of Children

- Principal → which kids will be more similar with respect to health care/prescription drug needs
 - Create more homogeneous subgroups
 - Examine care patterns for outliers within persons with similar needs
- Distinguish between groups
 - Target interventions or policies to appropriate agencies or providers

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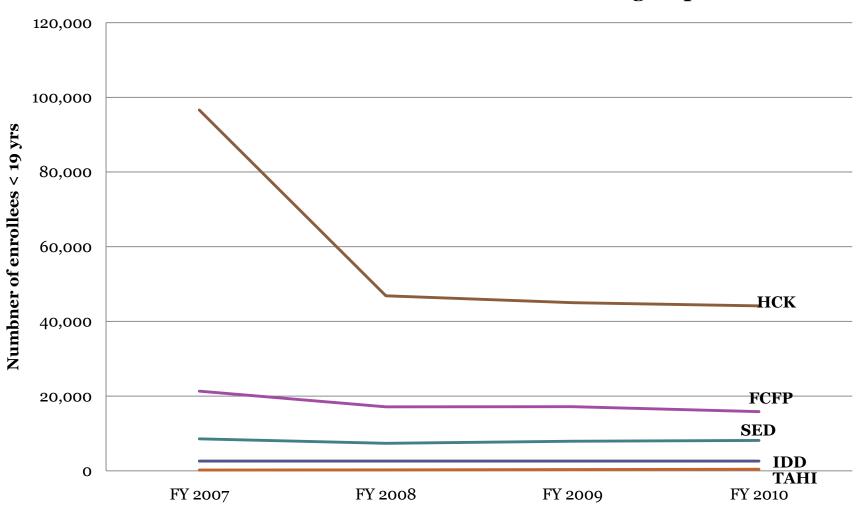
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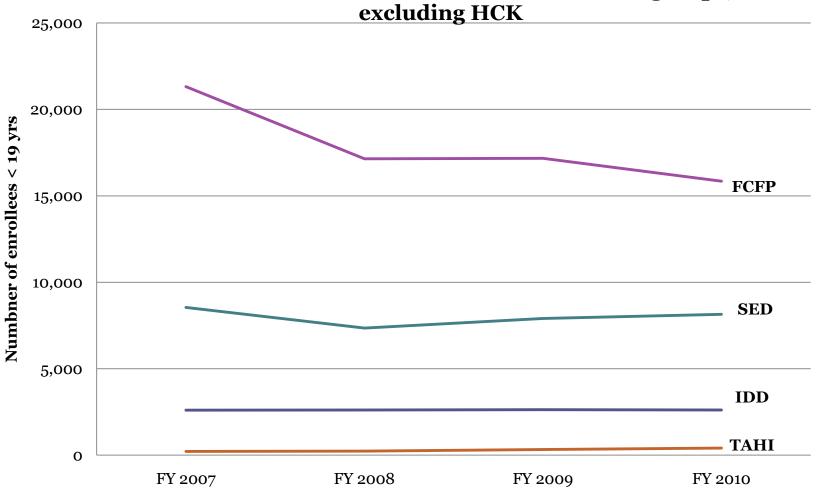
Can DAI do this for us?

- Establish mutually exclusive groups using benefit plans
- 1. IDD kids (intellectual & developmental disability)
- 2. SED kids (severely emotionally disturbed)
 - Not in IDD
- 3. FC/FP (foster care/family preservation)
 - Not in IDD or SED
- 4. TA/HI (technology assisted/head injury)
 - Not in IDD, SED, or FC/FP
- 5. HCK (HealthConnect)
 - Not in IDD, SED, FC/FP, TA/HI
- 6. Other: not in any group above
 - Excluding this data for now

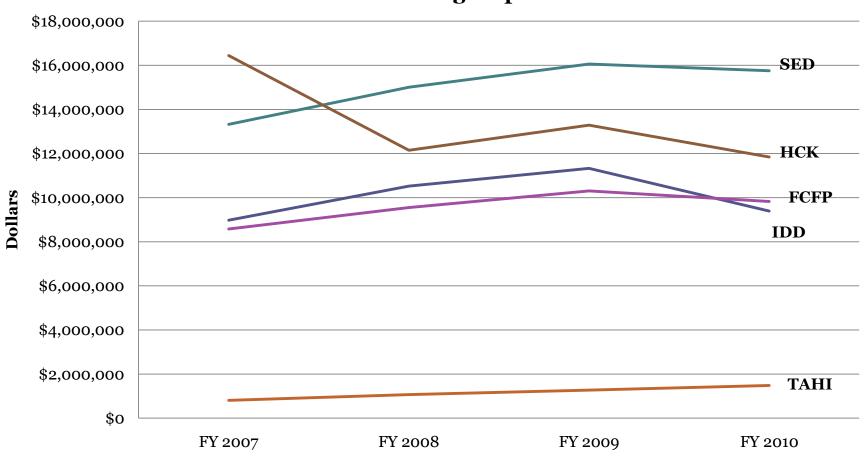
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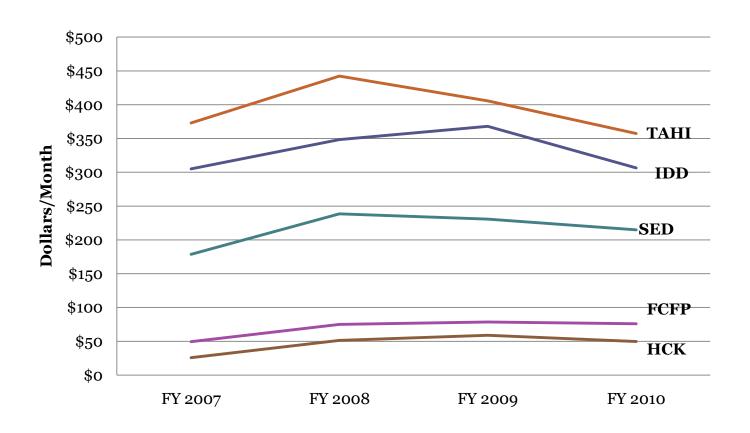




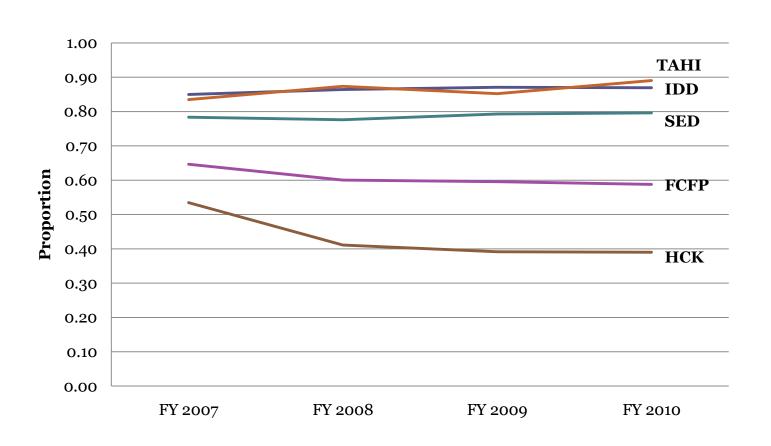
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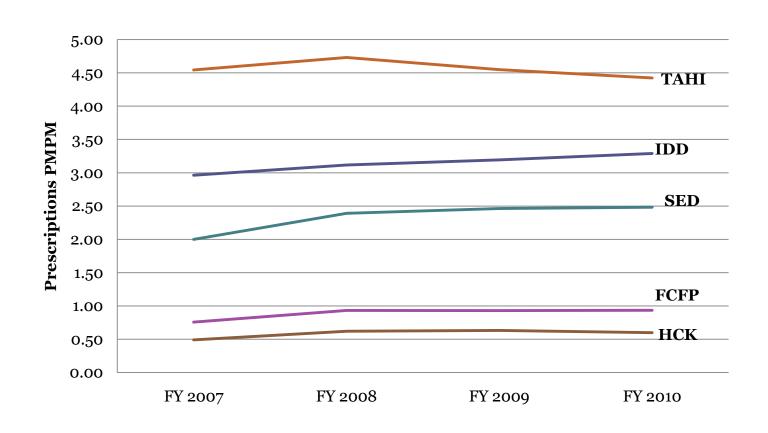
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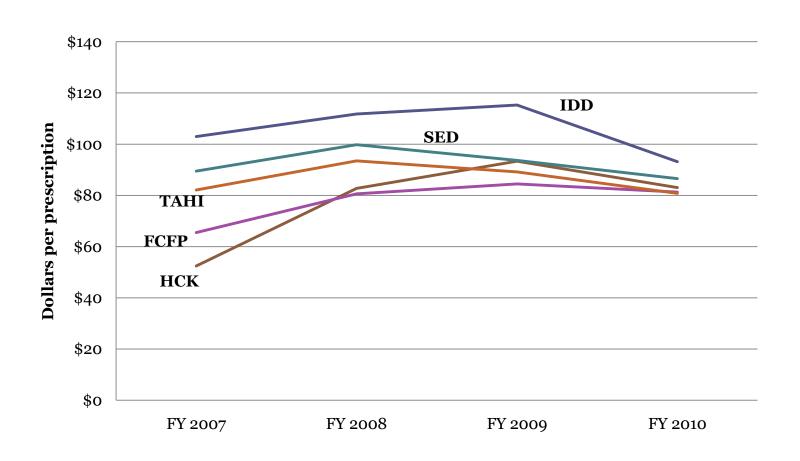
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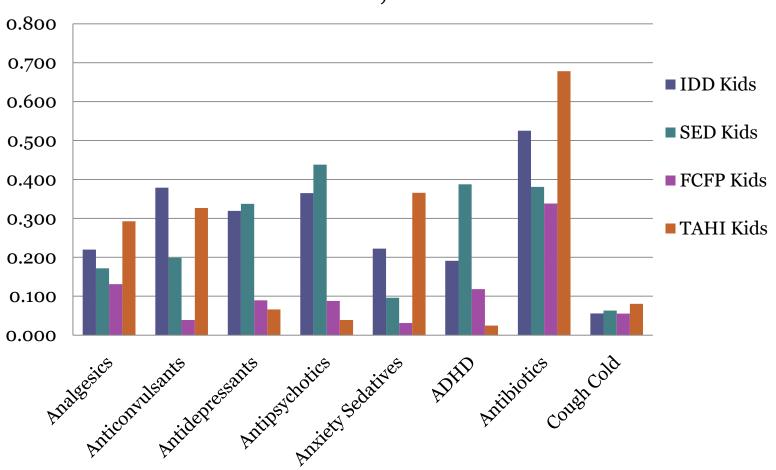


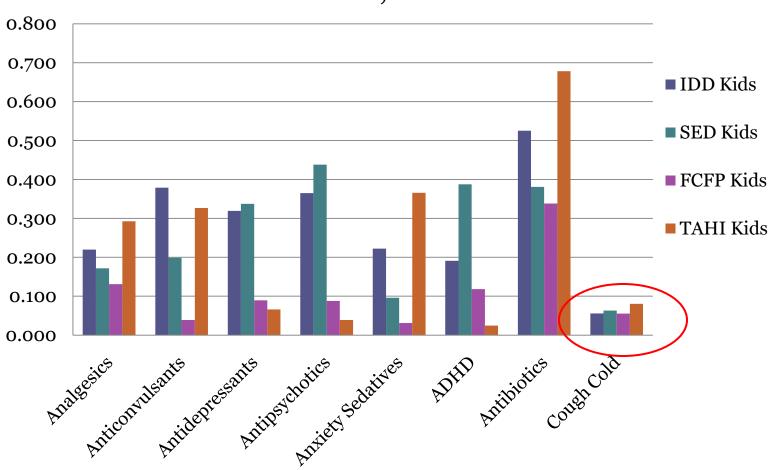
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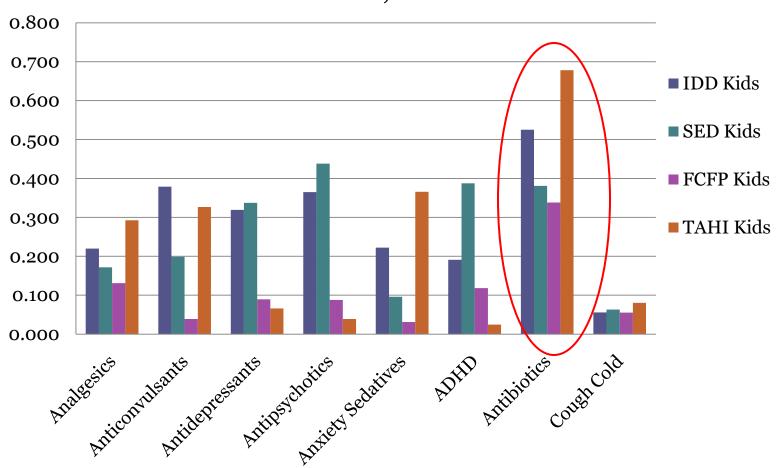


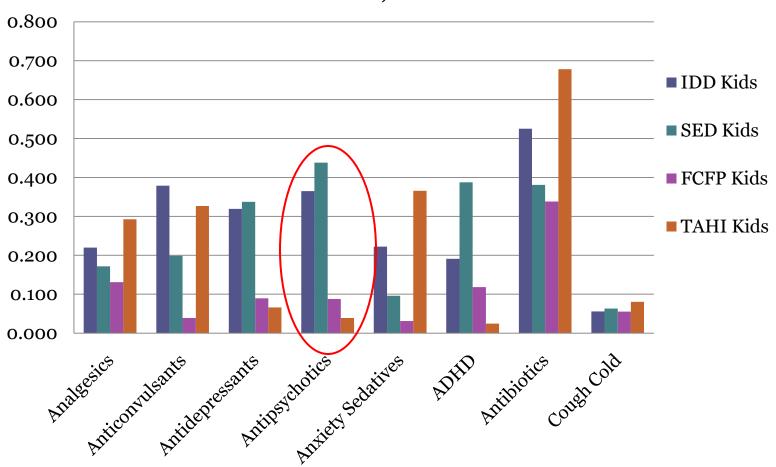
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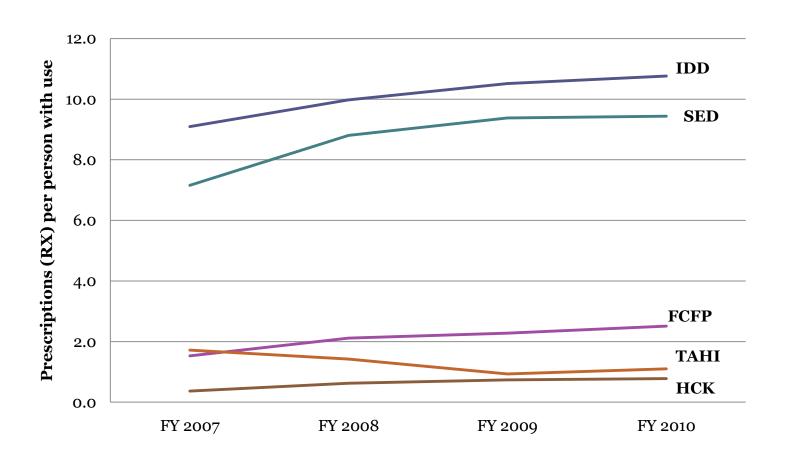






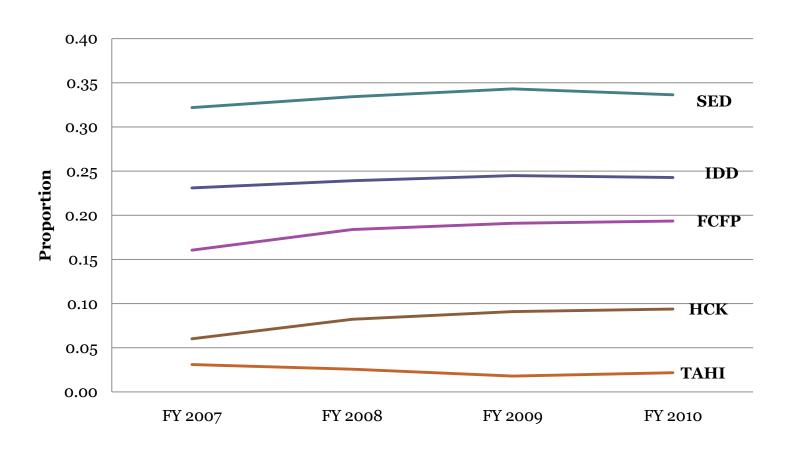


Number of Psychotherapeutic Prescriptions Per RX User by Child Subgroup



DAI definition psychotherapeutic = antidepressants, antipsychotics & tranquilizers

Percent of Prescriptions for Psychotherapeutic Agents by Child Subgroup



Well, okay then...what do we know

- Use benefit plan within DAI to create subgroups
 - Mutually exclusive groups
 - "Not in ..." subsets
- Enrollment patterns by program reflect MC migration (going into FY 2008)
 - Kept kids with special needs (waivers)

Medication use/costs

- Subgroups reflect *a priori* notions of general & psychotropic prescription drug use
 - IDD & SED children high use/cost per beneficiary
 - Foster care/family preservation lower costs including psychoactive agents than IDD/SED
 - Few TA/HI but with high relative Rx costs
 - Not much psychoactive use, though

Next steps...

- Better understand subgroups
 - Differentiate drug products used within each subset
 - Record listing extracts of drug claims for each subset
 - Therapeutic class/drug product level analyses
- Identify opportunities for quality of care/outcomes measurement
 - Incorporate medical, inpatient, other service use

Glossary for acronyms

- FCFP = foster care/family preservation
- HCK = Health Connect
- HI = head injury
- IDD = intellectually & developmentally delayed
- PRTF = psychiatric residential treatment facility
- SED = severely emotionally disturbed
- TA = technology assisted